

House Resolution No. 4148

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State religious organizations that admirably contribute to the betterment of local communities and neighborhoods through the excellent spiritual services they provide; and

Whereas, United Methodist Church of Holden, Missouri, was organized by George H. Reed as the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1867; and

Whereas, on September 21, 2008, United Methodist Church will hold a solemn dedication ceremony in light of its completion of a multipurpose building; and

Whereas, official groundbreaking ceremonies were held on May 20, 2007, and the first worship service was held in the new building on June 8, 2008; and

Whereas, immediately after its establishment in 1867, United Methodist Church held services in a schoolhouse near the railroad until the congregation could build a frame building topped with a spire and dedicate the structure on August 6, 1871; and

Whereas, growth in membership and programs resulted in United Methodist Church constructing a new church building in 1907, which remained the central place for worship activities until the 2006 decision to construct the multipurpose building; and

Whereas, the multipurpose addition to United Methodist Church will allow the ministerial staff and congregation to plan activities for children, youth, parents, singles, and senior adults and to specifically meet the diverse needs of individuals and families facing illness, the loss of loved ones, depression, financial crisis, or other problems; and

Whereas, the members of Holden United Methodist Church desire to provide hope, friendship, and love as they strive to be a "Light of Hope" to their neighbors in the community:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Holden United Methodist Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they dedicate their new church facility on September 21, 2008; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of United Methodist Church of Holden, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative David Pearce
District No. 121

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4148, adopted September 16, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker